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JOINT REGIONAL GRID IN SOUTH ASIAN REGION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a joint Regional Grid in the South Asian region for power trading with the neighbouring countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the power shortage is likely to be met in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (c) : There is no proposal to set up joint regional grid in South Asia Region for power trading with neighbouring countries. However, during the 14th South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Summit held in New Delhi on 3-4 April, 2007, a suggestion for harmonizing energy systems, methods and grid structures and moving on to an energy exchange with energy markets covering South Asia was made.